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## The Moody Book

We are still receiving orders for the Life of Moody, our premium book. Some of these orders have been on file here for several weeks, and no doubt the senders are looking for their book. On Monday of this week we received from Philadelphia, Pa., 100 copies of the book and all orders will be filled Thursday of this week. This will give those who are entitled to the book an idea as to the time they should receive it. Most of the books are sent by prepaid express, and you are requested to look at your express office if you do not get the book by mail. All orders for the set of four books or five books will also be filled on the day herein mentioned. In case you do not get your book or books next week, be sure to write us concerning the matter, and we will look up your order.

## Special Announcement

A few weeks ago announcement was made thru these columns that our latest tract on Feetwashing was out of stock, and that it would be sometime before another edition could be printed. The third edition of this tract has been sold, and just as soon as possible a fourth edition will be printed. We are receiving orders almost daily for this tract, all of which are filed, except in a few cases where the money paid for the tract has been returned. To avoid confusion it were better not to order any more of this tract until announcement is made of the publication of another edition. The office is in need of another compositor, and this accounts for the delay in getting out the tract.

## Personal Mention

Brother Hixson, too, has come forth again, and gives us bits of news.

Brother Shively writes that he had a very interesting meeting in progress at Atwater for a week, but had to close on account of La Grippe.

Brother Bashor recently delivered a lecture at Falls City, Nebraska, on "Good Citizenship." It is a good subject and no doubt his hearers were both entertained and helped.

Brother Braker feels encouraged with the progress of the work at South Bend, Indiana. Recently he visited La Paz and preached two sermons for the Brethren at that place.

Sister Heft of Eaton, Indiana, writes that the EVANGELIST is a great treat to them each week, filled with good news and reading matter, and its weekly visit much appreciated.

Brother J. H. Burnworth and wife are at Ashland, Ohio, visiting with Brother Lichty and wife. They are welcome visitors, and so far as we know they are enjoying themselves.

Brother Yoder reports three accessions to the church at Warsaw, Indiana. He also informs us that Brother Calvert has been taken ill with hemorrhage of the stomach and is in a critical condition.

The revival meeting at Bethesda, near Bryan, Ohio, in one of Brother Grisso's congregations, conducted by Brother Bauman, closed with ten accessions. A report of the meeting will appear in next issue of the paper.

In renewing his subscription to the EVANGELIST and ordering the Moody book as a premium, brother D. H. Kelso, formerly of Carleton, but now of Ebson, Kansas, says that they are getting along nicely in their new home, and that business is opening up with good prospects.

Brother McCullough, who on account of ill health had to leave school here at Ashland, has started on a trip South and expects to reach Miami, Florida, about Thursday evening of this week. The prayer of the church is that Brother McCullough may completely recover from his affliction.

The reporter from the Enon church, Iowa, states that Brother Gillin, on Sabbath morning last, resigned as pastor of the Waterloo church as he "expects to go to school." Now this naturally makes us and no doubt many readers of the EVANGELIST somewhat curious. Where, when, what, how, etc.? Probably that reporter revealed a secret.

According to the report by brother E. L. Yoder, Hiawatha must be a model town, and the visit of that revivalist has made it still more so. Evangelist Williams is right on the dancing question. From a Christian point of view there is but one side to the question, and that is the side of eternal opposition. We have never known a real spiritual church member who at the same time attended dances; it is out of harmony with the Christian idea.

Brother Brown writes a very encouraging letter, as well as an interesting one, to his old friend and brother, Daniel Harader. As to Brother Swihart, your reference to him in your letter will likely stir him out, and you will find, Brother Brown, that Jonathan is yet alive in the land of "Canaan." Why his name does not appear in the *Annual* is the fault of some one, but we are not able to say whose it is. Will make a record of the omission, and have the name at its proper place in the next issue of the church year book.

Brother Isaac Leedy, Delano, Ohio, in sending a short contribution for the paper, says in a note, "The articles under the caption, My Favorite New Testament Character, are exceedingly interesting to me. I read and re read them. The writers all set forth their reasons in a clear, convincing, loving manner, using soft, melting words. While they all did remarkably well I am rather partial to the 'Saint Johns'." We are glad you enjoyed this series of articles so much, and hope the next series will be equally well enjoyed. The young people will certainly feel much encouraged by this testimony from an aged brother.

Please note the announcement by Brother Yoder on page 16 of this issue. Here is another opportunity to purchase the Winona Home. Present indications are that Winona will be one of the greatest places of its kind in the country, a home for Christian workers of all classes, and it occurs to us that the purchase of this home now offered us the second time would be a splendid investment. Already 22 shares have been taken, and 18 more will make it our own. Read carefully the announcement, there is a special provision which will enable the Brethren to get control of the property even if the whole amount is not raised. We should be glad to see this property pass into the hands of the Brethren.

After paying his arrearages and receiving our premium book, the Life of Moody, a brother writes, "I expect to discontinue your paper for the present, money too scarce out here, and I have the Moody book." We presume the brother means that he has the Moody book and that he will read that instead of reading the paper. We prided ourselves on the very excellent premium we were sending to our customers, but in this case the book is a little too good; it is dangerous to send out a book that will replace the paper with which it was given as a premium. To stop the paper after receiving the premium borders well nigh on ingratitude. Subscription to the paper made it possible to furnish the premium at so small a cost. Well, if the brother will carefully read the book, he will know before he gets thru that he ought to have a religious paper in his home, and that paper should be first of all his own church paper.

A few weeks ago Brother Bauman was after "Quiet Observer;" a little later brother D. C. Moomaw was after the editor because of his optimism; last week Brother Cassel endeavored to set the editor right on a question suggested in a brief editorial under the title, "Cross the Line." This week Brother Gillin is after the author of Information Bureau. All this shows a condition that to our mind is hopeful. Our people are not ready to accept any doctrine or any teaching which does not harmonize with their interpretation of the word or their idea of gospel church government, simply because such doctrine or teaching is advocated by some one whose position makes him a public teacher. All such criticism is welcomed by the editor; not only is the editor responsible for all unsigned articles that appear in the paper, but in the editorial department he is supposed to voice the doctrine and teaching of the gospel as interpreted by the church; if to the mind of any member of the church the editor fails in this, he has and should have, the liberty to criticize. It affords us pleasure to know that the paper is closely read; neither Quiet Observer, nor Information Bureau, not even the smallest editorial note, seems to escape the notice of at least some of our readers. Thanks, brethren, that is what we write for, that our productions may be read and do good.

And now it is not sister Laura Slotter any more, the same person but a different name. The following from the *Valley Mirror*, a paper published at North Ontario, California, explains the above statement: "Our people were somewhat surprised Thursday morning, 30th inst., to hear that a highly respected and worthy couple of our town had quietly hied away to Los Angeles the day before and assumed the obligations of a married life. Each pledged to the other love and true devotion 'until death do us sever.' Mrs. Laura A. Slotter, the bride, is well and favorably known in our town and colony, where she has resided for the last six years. She is a lady of wealth and culture and has devoted her time and means in promoting the best